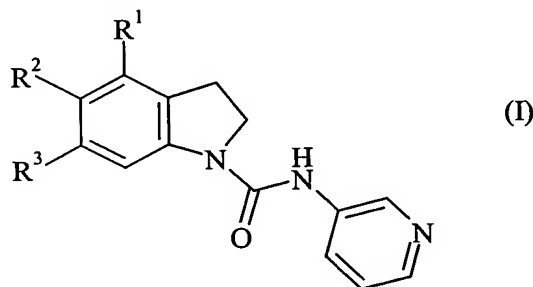


LISTING OF CLAIMS

1-18 (canceled)

19. (new) A method for treating an animal or human living body afflicted with depression, impulsive disorders, schizophrenia, Parkinson's disease, migraine, cognitive disorders, disorders of the libido and sexual dysfunctions, sleep disorders, appetite disorders, bulimia and anorexia, comprising the step of administering to the living body an amount of a compound selected from those of formula (I)



wherein :

R¹ and R² together form a benzo ring optionally substituted by halogen or by alkyl, alkoxy, cyano, nitro, hydroxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino or trifluoromethyl, and R³ represents hydrogen,

or

R¹ represents hydrogen, and R² and R³ together form a benzo ring optionally substituted by halogen or by alkyl, alkoxy, cyano, nitro, hydroxy, amino, alkylamino, dialkylamino or trifluoromethyl,

its enantiomers, diastereomers, or addition salts thereof with a pharmaceutically acceptable acid or base,

it being understood that :

the term "alkyl" denotes a linear or branched (C₁ - C₆) hydrocarbon chain,

the term "alkoxy" denotes a linear or branched (C₁ - C₆) alkyl-oxy group,

which is effective for alleviation of the conditions.

20. (new) A method of claim 19, wherein R¹ and R² together form a benzo ring which is unsubstituted or substituted by a group selected from methoxy and cyano.
21. (new) A method of claim 19, wherein the compound of formula (I) is selected from *N*-(3-pyridyl)-1,2-dihydro-3*H*-benzo[*e*]indole-3-carboxamide or its addition salts thereof
5 with a pharmaceutically acceptable acid or base.
22. (new) A method of claim 19, wherein the compound of formula (I) is selected from 7-methoxy-*N*-(3-pyridyl)-1,2-dihydro-3*H*-benzo[*e*]indole-3-carboxamide or its addition salts thereof with a pharmaceutically acceptable acid or base.
- 10 23. (new) A method of claim 19, wherein the compound of formula (I) is selected from 6-cyano-*N*-(3-pyridyl)-1,2-dihydro-3*H*-benzo[*e*]indole-3-carboxamide or its addition salts thereof with a pharmaceutically acceptable acid or base.
- 15 24. (new) A method of claim 19, wherein the compound of formula (I) is selected from *N*-(3-pyridyl)-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-benzo[*f*]indole-1-carboxamide or its addition salts thereof with a pharmaceutically acceptable acid or base.